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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE: URGENT NEED TO PROMOTE SOMALIA CEASEFIRE

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11. (U) Per reftel, PolOff delivered the demarche to Dr. Kojo Assan, Director, International Organizations and Multilateral Bureau at the Ghana MFA. Assan said that he would raise the issue of a public statement calling for an immediate ceasefire in Mogadishu with the Deputy Foreign Minister but that no statement could be considered because the Foreign Minister is out of the country until May 26. PolOff raised USG concerns of regional instability and reiterated the need for public support of a ceasefire. When PolOff asked about a statement after the Foreign Minister's return, Assan remained noncommittal simply restating that the Foreign Minister is abroad. Post will follow-up after May 26 and advise if additional information is available.

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